## HOUSE RESOLUTION 45 By Watson

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Alvin Rosamond, Fire Chief of the Dallas Bay Fire Department of Hamilton County for meritorious service.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived and built by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal concerns to ensure the public safety and welfare, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans have continued this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through the fire service, dedicating their time and efforts to aiding their fellow citizens in emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's fire departments are dedicated to protecting lives and property from the devastating effects of fire and are greatly appreciated by the concerned citizens and government officials of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, it is the great privilege of this General Assembly to commend and honor those brave firefighters who have committed themselves to providing safety and security for the citizens of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Chief Alvin Rosamond of the Dallas Bay Volunteer Fire Department of Hamilton County is one such shining example of the firefighting profession, who has diligently given exemplary service to the Department for twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, he has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and the grateful citizens whom he serves; and

WHEREAS, Chief Rosamond is an active and important part of his community and his profession; under his skillful leadership, the volunteer fire organization has grown from a handful of volunteers to a fully functioning department with three fire stations and seven fire and rescue vehicles; and

WHEREAS, supported by the efforts of his devoted wife, Shirley, he and his department have ably managed to answer over 800 calls per year, effectively serving approximately 26,000 residents of Hamilton County; and

WHEREAS, Chief Rosamond exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Chief Alvin Rosamond, a man of immeasurable courage and commitment, for his many years of service to the people of Hamilton County, thank him for his bravery and dedication, and wish him safety and success in his every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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